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A Bill Introduced
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The Committee of Investigation
Makes a Redhot Report
To House.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—The report of the special Congressional committee which investigated the hazing of Cadet Booz and the general subject of hazing at West Point was submitted to the House of Representatives by the chairman, Representative Dick, together with a bill making stringent regulations against hazing, fighting and all brutal practices.

The report is an exhaustive review of the practice of hazing in all its forms and while moderate in tone is nevertheless a stinging arraignment of the many alleged brutal practices enumerated. It specifies more than one hundred distinct methods of annoying and harassing fourth-classmen and describes them in detail. One of the "funny formations" described is that practiced on Philip Sheridan, Jr., who was compelled to ride a broomstick, "in mockery of his illustrious father's achievement at Winchester." The report states that a system of fighting has grown up which is shocking in its character. The fights are described and the committee states that the West Point code is more vicious than the Queensberry code.

The committee held that fighting is the worst form of hazing. The report says that such fighting as that at West Point is a felony according to the statutes in many of the states and the time has come when Congress must decide whether fights, which are high crimes elsewhere, shall continue at West Point.

The committee finds that Cadets MacArthur, Breth and Burton were hazed into convulsions, other were hazed until they fainted, while others were hazed until they were sick.

The hazing of Cadets Booz and Breth are elaborately treated but the committee does not attribute their deaths directly to hazing. The report adds:

"But while we cannot fix upon hazing the responsibility for these two deaths, the possibility that it hastened them and the blot it throws on the otherwise fair and glorious fame of the academy, its conflict with proper training and discipline and unfitness in this new century, urges the adoption of reasonable, yet, we believe, effective measures for its eradication and the promotion of discipline at the academy."

The bill submitted contains eleven sections against hazing and provides means for its detection and punishment. Dismissal is provided for taking part in a fight or a challenge, directly or indirectly, or for any form of annoyance, harassing or bracing of cadets. Cadets dismissed are made ineligible to appointment to the army, navy or marine corps. Provision is made for courts of inquiry, courts-martial, closer association between officers and cadets and other means for effectually stopping the practice of hazing.

WILHELMINA WEDS.

Holland's Queen Married to Duke of Mecklenburg-Schwerin.

THE HAGUE, Feb. 7.—Wilhelmina, the first ruling Queen of Holland, today married Duke Henry of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, who becomes Prince Heinrich of the Netherlands by a proclamation in the Court Gazette today. The marriage was a series of brilliantly colored pictures. But the severe simplicity of the Dutch form of marriage, which was followed to the letter in the civil contract before the Minister of Justice, Dr. P. W. A. Cort Van Derlinden, and in the old-fashioned religious service in Groote Kerk, gave it a democratic spirit.

The wedding was a huge family affair. All Holland, too, came to The Hague to participate. Those who stayed at their homes in other cities and villages of the kingdom celebrated with parades, decorations and banquets.

Transport Wrecked Near Havans.

HAVANA, Feb. 5.—The United States transport McPherson ran aground half her length on a reef eight miles west of Matanzas in a fog yesterday morning while on her way from New York to Matanzas. All the passengers were transferred in the ship's boats and the freight is being unloaded.

A heavy easterly wind swung the McPherson broadside to the shore this afternoon. She pounded a large hole amidships; her furnaces are under water, the engines have shifted and the shaft has sprung. There is no hope of saving her, as she will sink if pulled off. She is rolling in the heavy seas and is pounding badly, and will go to pieces if the wind increases.

Mystic Shriners.

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Feb. 9.—The Mystic Shriners who are to go from this city to Honolulu, under the leadership of Imperial Potentate Lou B. Winsor of Reed City, will leave here February 25 in a special train magnificently equipped. There will be 166 members in the party and the itinerary will be as follows: Chicago, Des Moines, St. Joseph, Leavenworth, Kansas City, Dallas, Phoenix, Los Angeles, San Francisco. Returning the trip from San Francisco will be through the following cities: Portland, Tacoma, Spokane, Helena, Fargo, Minneapolis, St. Paul, Chicago and Grand Rapids.

Transport McPherson May Be Saved.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—Quartermaster General Ludington today said that his latest information in regard to

the transport McPherson, aground of Matanzas, is that the sea has subsided and there there is a fair prospect of saving the ship.

Waialua Visitors.

The following guests registered at Haleiwa hotel, Waialua, from Monday to Sunday last:

James B. Stetson, wife, daughter and maid, Mrs. C. N. Fulcher and child, Mrs. T. C. Smith, San Francisco; Mr. and Mrs. F. Taylor, Isaac L. G. Sager, Honolulu; Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Spencer, New York; Colonel J. C. Baird, Honolulu; W. K. Christolm, George J. Wesley, Cleveland, O.; Cecil Brown, John Lennox, Honolulu; Arthur S. Knudsen, Kauai; Edgar O. Silver, New York; Ralph Sparado, Chicago; Wm. Booth, Honolulu; C. E. Robin, Silverton, Col.; Caroline D. Castle, Maud Kinney, Honolulu; H. E. Heacock, Mrs. H. E. Heacock, Mrs. E. J. Benjamin, Belvedere, Cal.; Franklin Austin and wife, C. H. Snyder and wife, W. A. Hardy, C. S. Richardson, J. R. Galt, Mrs. J. R. Galt and two children, Honolulu; Mr. and Mrs. John Galt, Miss G. Galt, Newburg-on-Hudson; Mrs. B. Isenberg, Miss Paula Isenberg, Bremen, Germany; Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Isenberg, Honolulu; Guy Owens, Alsea; Mrs. Frances E. Owens, Chicago, Ill.; Mr. and Mrs. I. H. Gourlie, New York; W. H. Barker, San Francisco; J. S. Gillis, Honolulu; T. Blackstad, Kauai; M. A. Moore and wife, Miss Alice Moore, Mrs. J. H. Mirchel, Lee Mars, Ia.; E. R. Peters, Honolulu.

Advertiser's Special Edition.

The Pacific Commercial Advertiser of Honolulu brought out a thirty-two-page edition at the opening of the year which will convince readers that the inhabitants of the Territory of Hawaii are forging ahead at a rapid pace. The edition is printed on book paper and contains many fine half-tones. Hawaii's sugar industry is treated at length, and an article of particular interest to California discusses the colony of Wahaiwa, started in 1898 by citizens from this State, who have undertaken to raise vegetables and, in time, oranges for the Honolulu and San Francisco markets. —Los Angeles Times.

Worth All It Cost.

It has cost \$3,447,535 to annex the Hawaiian Islands. Who can safely allege that they are worth even that to us?—Lowell Courier.

We can. When we annexed the Islands, Prince David was thrown in as part of the bargain. Without Prince David there would have been no free silver plank in the Democratic platform; with no f. s. p. in the D. P. Bryan might have won; with Bryan President, we'd have had a panic that would have cost the country ten times the sum it cost to annex the Hawaiian Islands. Therefore, we claim annexation was worth all it cost!—Boston Evening Record.

THE WILLARD STATUE.

A marble statue of Frances E. Willard is soon to be placed in Statuary hall in the capitol. It will be the only statue of a woman ever allowed in the historic chamber. It is donated by the state of Illinois, each commonwealth of the Union being allowed to honor two persons in this manner. The statue will be given one of the most prominent positions possible. The unveiling will be attended by elaborate ceremony, in which members of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union representing every section will be present. No one will see the work until the drapery is officially drawn aside.

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